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RE: Public Records Request received December 27, 2018

Records pertaining to Facial Recognition Software

Dear Gentleperson:

The Fresno City Attorney's Office has received your December 26, 2018, request for documents under the California Public Records Act (Cal. Govt. Code § 6250 et seq., the Act).

Your request seeks the following:

Information as follows for the period January 1, 2015 to the date of this letter.

- 1. Number, if any, of Facial Recognition software or Facial Recognitionenabled equipment in place with this department or agency. Please specify if software has been purchased or if services are performed by outside contractors for the department or agency. Please include pilot or testing programs within the scope of this request
- 2. Any documents or correspondence during the period encompassing this request regarding possible or planned acquisition of Facial Recognition software packages, Facial Recognition-enabled equipment or service agreements.
- Any existing or proposed usage policies regarding the use of Facial Recognition software or Facial Recognition-enabled equipment, including protocols, training documents, data storage procedures and prohibited activities.
- Any current or past litigation involving or referencing this department or agency involving the use of Facial Recognition software or Facial Recognition-enabled equipment.

Within 10 days of our receipt of your request, the City of Fresno (City) is required to provide you a response indicating whether any records will be disclosed, whether any records are exempt and the reasons for the exemption, and the estimated time in which the City will produce any disclosable records. (Govt. Code § 6253(c).) However, the Act provides that in certain circumstances the City may extend the time to provide the response. (*Id.*)

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Your request may involve the need to search for and collect potentially responsive records from facilities or other establishments that are separate from the City Attorney's Office, which is processing your request, and seeks information that may involve a voluminous amount of records and will require the need to search for, collect, and appropriately examine the separate and distinct records requested and additional time to compile the data requested. Under Government Code section 6253, subdivision (c), paragraph (2), this letter serves as notice that the City will require the permitted extension of time.

Under the Act, an extension of time may not exceed 14 days from the original 10-day deadline, rolling to the next Monday if such date falls on a weekend. We will provide you with a response not later than January 21, 2019. We appreciate your patience and understanding in this matter.

Very truly yours,

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